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DEPUTIES' MEETING

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Wednesday, 9 January 1957

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles (part of mtg.), General Cabell, Mr. Amory,  
Col. White, Messrs. [redacted] Kirkpatrick, [redacted]  
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General Cabell:

Mr. Dulles:

a) Briefly discussed his meeting with Chairman Vinson this morning and noted that:

- 1) Mr. Vinson is appointing a new committee;
- 2) He is firmly opposed to the Mansfield or similar resolutions to establish a CIA Watchdog Committee;
- 3) Mr. Vinson had flatly stated he did not see the necessity for additional CIA legislation at this time and "the Director should stretch his authority under existing legislation to the limit".

Note: The Director asked Colonel White to get in touch with Messrs. Houston and Paul and go over proposed CIA legislation and furnish him recommendations as to what he can legally do under previous congressional authority without further reference to the Congress, with exception to new retirement policy.

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- 4) Mr. Vinson is of the strong opinion we should request additional [ ] for the new building.
- 5) He has a meeting with the Vinson Committee at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 16 January.
- 6) Mr. Vinson had raised the question of the number of CIA employees in the U. S. and upon being informed, had stated, "that's enough".

Note: The Director commented that Mr. Vinson had asked for a functional breakdown of CIA personnel and asked Colonel White to furnish this to him (DCI).

b) Noted that the Agency could expect criticism if we continue to be unable to report on what's happening in Yemen and stated we would "have to use our ingenuity" as to how this can be accomplished.

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ACTION: Mr. [ ]

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